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VI.—GOVERNMENT MOTION.

MOTION UNDER RULE 122 OF THE ASSEMBLY RULES.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Sir, the Hon. the Deputy Leader of the Opposition has represented that Resolution No. 6 may be taken up first. It is, in effect, the same as Resolution No. 1. The hon. Member Sri P. K. Gopalakrishnan who has given notice of Resolution No. 1 is absent here. Therefore, the Hon. the Deputy Leader of the Opposition wants that Resolution No. 6 may be taken up first. I suppose he has consulted the leaders of other parties also. Therefore, I move—

' *That Resolution No. 6 may be taken up first.*' "

SRI M. KALYANASUNDRAM :—" Sir, I am sorry I have not consulted the leaders of other parties. I did not have the time to do so, because I was expecting my hon. Friend Sri Gopalakrishnan to arrive this morning. But I appeal to the leaders of other parties also to agree to this."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" The motion itself is out of order. Of course, the Hon. the Leader of the House has complete discretion with regard to the transaction of official business and with regard to arranging the order of official business. He will be quite within his rights in moving for the taking up of any particular official business in the first instance in preference to other business. But in respect of non-official business he cannot do any such thing." 9-20 a.m.

MR. SPEAKER :—" I am not able to understand the hon. Member."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" Priority in respect of non-official business is determined by lot. Only when the prior motions or resolutions are not moved or talked out, subsequent motions and resolutions could be taken up for discussion. So, the motion for taking up a particular resolution in preference to other resolutions is quite out of order."

MR. SPEAKER :—" I would like to know from the hon. Member why and under what rule he is saying that the motion is out of order."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" May I know under what rule such a motion is permissible? "

MR. SPEAKER :—" It is open to the Hon. Leader of the House to move that a particular item may be taken up first."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" Sir, I know the Hon. the Leader of the House is at perfect liberty to arrange the order of business. But, there are hon. Members who have given notice of similar resolutions . . ."

Mr. SPEAKER :—" I wish to know from the hon. Member Sri Kurup whether he wants that this motion should be moved by some other Member."

Sri M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" I wish to submit that in the case of non-official business, priority is determined by ballot and when once it is so determined and circulated, it cannot be changed unless the business prior to any particular item is finished."

Mr. SPEAKER :—" It is a pertinent point of order that the hon. Member has raised. The resolution can be moved by some other hon. Member. Since the hon. Member Sri Gopalakrishnan, in whose name the first resolution stands, is absent, some other hon. Member may move the resolution. I think the hon. Member Sri T. C. Narayanan Nambiar may move it."

V.—NON-OFFICIAL BUSINESS—*cont.*

B—Resolution.

INTEGRATION OF THE MALAYALAM SPEAKING AREAS OF THE STATE WITH THE STATE OF TRAVANCORE-COCHIN.

Sri T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" Sir, I move the resolution standing in my name which is the same as the one standing in the name of Sri P. K. Gopalakrishnan and which reads as follows :—

' *This Assembly recommends to the Government to recommend to the President of the Indian Republic that the Malayalam-speaking areas in the State of Madras contiguous to the Travancore-Cochin State be integrated with the State of Travencore-Cochin with effect from October* 1*st*, 1954.' "

Sri M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" On a point of order, Sir, the Mover of a resolution is that person who has given notice of the resolution or a person who has been authorized in writing to move that resolution. I wish to know whether the hon. Member has been so authorized."

Mr. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Member may please read rule 122 of the Madras Assembly Rules. This is what it states—

' 122 (1) A member in whose name a resolution appears on the list of business shall, when called on either—

(a) withdraw the resolution, in which case he shall confine himself to a mere statement to that effect ; or

(b) move the resolution.

(2) If the member when called on is absent, the resolution standing in his name shall be considered to have been withdrawn.

(3) It shall be open to the Assembly to allow a resolution withdrawn under clause (a) of sub-rule (1), or deemed to have been withdrawn under sub-rule (2) of this rule to be moved by any other member.'

In the present case, the House should remember that the hon. Member Sri T. C. Narayanan Nambiar has himself given notice of a similar motion."